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11. [] LIAISON [] DIA, called to say that on 5 April, in response to a report in the London Daily Mail, DIA briefed Representative Larry P. McDonald (D., Ga.) on the alleged submarine base being constructed at Cienfuegos, Cuba. He also said that on 6 April they had briefed Representative Paul N. McCloskey (R., Calif.) on cluster bombs, which had been reported in The New York Times. He said he felt Representative McCloskey would issue some sort of public statement on the use of the bombs.

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12. [] LIAISON Called Martha MacDonald, Senate Select Committee on Intelligence staff, and received from her the schedule of Committee hearings for next week.

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13. [] LIAISON Called Richard Kaufman, General Counsel, Joint Economic Committee, to discuss handling of Senator William Proxmire's (D., Wis.) request for information on the Agency's work on the Soviet economy. I explained to Kaufman that we would have to handle this as we did last year, meaning some information could be provided to the Joint Committee but some would have to be sent to Senator Proxmire as a Member of the Senate Appropriations Committee. Kaufman said he would be discussing this matter in his meeting next week with Maurice Ernst, D/OER, as this formula had not aided the Joint Committee very much last year. He hopes there will be a way to somehow quantify the Agency's work in this field without asking for personnel or budget figures. I said we would not be able to provide the latter figures to the Joint Committee but I hoped that some other formula might be worked out.

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14. [] LIAISON Called Pat Norton, Senate Select Committee on Intelligence staff, and reported that we had reviewed the transcripts of Agency testimony before the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy on the [] case and we had no objection to it being shown to the Subcommittee on Energy and the Environment, House Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

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15. [] LIAISON Received a call from Leonard Weiss, Staff Director, Subcommittee on Energy, Nuclear Proliferation and Federal Services, Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs, who said he had talked with Pat Norton, Senate Select Committee on Intelligence staff, and had been told that I would set up Weiss' review of Agency [] documents. Weiss indicated he was anxious to start as soon as possible and assured me he had clearances. I told him [] of OLC, would be handling this and that I would have him call.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Herb Hetu, DCI/PA

FROM : AC/C&R/OLC

SUBJECT : Article in Times-Union Dated 12 March 1978,
Entitled "Entrance of War Criminals Probed" (U)

1. ☐ The attached article was brought to our attention by the GAO investigators who are conducting an inquiry on behalf of the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, and International Law concerning the admission to and residence in the U.S. of alleged Nazi war criminals. The investigation principally involves Immigration and Naturalization Service. The investigators have reviewed information in CIA files concerning a number of individuals of interest to the Subcommittee. Our files contain no information indicating that CIA intervened on behalf of such persons to allow them to remain in the U.S.

2. ☐ The GAO investigators called and confirmed that the circled paragraph in the attached article stating that CIA had intervened on behalf of suspect war criminals is false. They said they had been called by the Subcommittee staff and were questioned as to whether GAO had been the source. The investigators feel that the story did not come from the Subcommittee but rather was speculation of the author since the fact that GAO is conducting the investigation is public knowledge.

3. ☐ The GAO investigators have been requested by the Subcommittee to present their report in open testimony before the Subcommittee later this month. The investigators are prepared to state their conclusion that they found no evidence that CIA intervened in any cases involving war criminals.

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4. ☐ Should you receive any inquiries concerning this article or the investigation, it would seem best to give a "no comment" since the matter is still under investigation by GAO.



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